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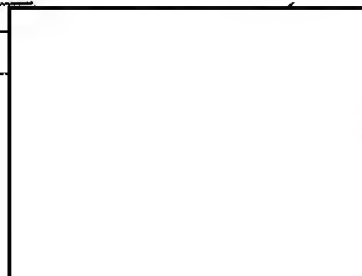
THE REFERENCED TELETYPES TO THE DIRECTOR DATED JANUARY 15, 16, 18, AND 19, 1985, DEAL WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHILE FBIHQ SUPPORTS FULL COOPERATION WITH THE FT. LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE MURDER INVESTIGATIONS, IT IS NOTED THAT IN THE MIAMI TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR, DETECTIVE [REDACTED], FT. LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT, ADVISED THAT HIS INTEREST IN THE DORMANT HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS HAD BEEN REKINDLED BY FREE LANCE WRITER GAETEN

IS [REDACTED] YES
LE [REDACTED] NO
AND [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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FONZIE. THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT THE FT. LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS QUESTIONED REGARDING WHAT EVIDENCE HAD BEEN DEVELOPED REGARDING THESE MURDERS AND SPECIFICALLY, WHAT EVIDENCE TIED [REDACTED] TO THE MURDERS. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE IF THE FBI'S ATTEMPT TO COOPERATE WITH THE FT. LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT WILL FURTHER THE MURDER INVESTIGATION OR ASSIST FONZIE IN WRITING HIS ARTICLE. PRIOR TO PROVIDING FT. LAUDERDALE WITH THE INFORMATION REQUESTED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, CHICAGO IS TO DETERMINE WHAT EVIDENCE IS AVAILABLE WHICH CONNECTS [REDACTED] WITH THE MURDERS AND WHY DETECTIVE [REDACTED] WISHES TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

THE REFERENCED JANUARY 15, 1985, TELETYPE TO THE DIRECTOR WAS AN UPDATE OF THE STATUS OF THE INCUBATOR INVESTIGATION. IN THIS COMMUNICATION IT WAS INDICATED THAT [REDACTED]

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THE MIAMI DIVISION WAS REQUESTED TO DETERMINE
FULL DETAILS CONCERNING GAYTON FONZI AND THE INVESTIGATORS WITH WHOM
FONZI IS COOPERATING CONCERNING THE STORY ABOUT _____

ON JANUARY 16, 1985, THE MIAMI DIVISION INTERVIEWED FORT
LAUDERDALE POLICE CHIEF, RONALD COCHRAN, AND DETECTIVE _____
THESE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WERE ADVISED THAT THE FBI IS AWARE OF

THESE OFFICERS WERE
ADVISED THAT THE FBI WILL COMPLETELY COOPERATE IN THE MURDER
INVESTIGATION AND WILL NOT IMPEDE THE MURDER INVESTIGATION. THESE
OFFICERS AGREED THEY WOULD NOT RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO ANY THIRD
PARTY.

DETECTIVE _____ ADVISED THAT APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS AGO HE WAS
TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED BY A FREE LANCE WRITER, BY THE NAME OF
GAYTON FONZI, WHO IS FROM THE MIAMI AREA AND IS WRITING AN ARTICLE
ON _____ FONZI IS KNOWN
AS AN INVESTIGATOR FOR THE SENATE SUB-COMMITTEE WHICH HANDLED THE

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KENNEDY ASSASSINATION, AND IS ALLEGED TO HAVE NUMEROUS CONTACTS
NATIONWIDE. THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE ARTICLE TO BE PUBLISHED
BY FONZI WAS UNKNOWN BUT NEBULOUS DETAILS FROM THE LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS INDICATED THAT FONZI'S ARTICLE WOULD
HIGHLIGHT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ACCORDING TO DETECTIVE [REDACTED] THE
ARTICLE WOULD NOT BE FAVORABLE TO THE FBI. [REDACTED] INDICATED THAT
HE HAS RELATED SEVERAL DETAILS SURROUNDING HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS
INVOLVING [REDACTED] IN EXCHANGE FOR LEADS CONCERNING THE MURDERS
THAT FONZI HAD DEVELOPED. ALSO ACCORDING TO [REDACTED] FONZI
BELIEVES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THE INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WAS RELAYED TO [REDACTED]
BY FONZI, WHO HAS ALSO BEEN IN CONTACT WITH NASHVILLE,
TENNESSEE NEWS MEDIA CONCERNING THE SITUATION. SUBSEQUENTLY
[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN AN ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT THE CONTACT BY FREE LANCE WRITER FONZI REKINDLES HIS INTEREST IN A RATHER DORMANT HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION HE PARTICIPATED IN MANY YEARS AGO. [REDACTED] CHARACTERIZES [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INDICATED THAT HE WAS DEDICATED TO EXHAUST ALL LEADS TO ACCOMPLISH SUCCESSFUL LOCAL PROSECUTION IN THESE MATTERS ALLEGEDLY INVOLVING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS NOT ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT THERE WAS LITTLE DIRECT EVIDENCE AGAINST [REDACTED] IN THESE HOMICIDES. [REDACTED] HOPES TO ROUND OUT ADDITIONAL FACTS TO SHOW A SERIES OF CIRCUMSTANCES INVOLVING PRIOR OR SIMILAR ACTS TO MAKE THIS PARTICULAR HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION. [REDACTED] WAS AWARE THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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DETERMINED THAT IT HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

4. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AS OF THE DATE OF THIS TELETYPE,
NONE OF THIS INFORMATION HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO [REDACTED] OR ANY
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES.

ON FEBRUARY 11, 1985, THE MEDIA COORDINATOR FOR THE
MIAMI DIVISION MET WITH GAYTON FONZI CONCERNING FONZI'S
ARTICLE ABOUT [REDACTED] WHICH IS TO APPEAR IN THE
APRIL ISSUE OF THE MIAMI SOUTH FLORIDA MAGAZINE (TO BEGIN
PRINTING ON FEBRUARY 22, 1985 AND APPEAR IN ITS FINAL FORM
IN THE MAGAZINE APPROXIMATELY A FEW DAYS BEFORE THE FIRST OF
APRIL, 1985). FONZI FURNISHED ORALLY, A DETAILED ACCOUNT OF
THE STORY WHICH AMOUNTS TO A RUNNING CHRONOLOGY OF [REDACTED]

FONZI HAS DONE SUBSTANTIAL RESEARCH INTO DOCUMENTING

[REDACTED] CLOSE ASSOCIATION AND PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH

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